



Indiana State Prison
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Offender Cody Cousins
DOC 252400

MEDIA RELEASE – Offender Death at Indiana State Prison

Michigan City, Indiana- (October 29, 2014) The Indiana State Prison (ISP) Superintendent Ron Neal reports that an offender at the facility died as a result of an apparent suicide.

Offender Cody Cousins, DOC 252400 was found unresponsive in his single cell in our Orientation Unit during a routine security check at 8:55 p.m. October 28, 2014. A medical emergency was called when it was determined the offender had self-inflicted lacerations to his neck and both arms. Staff attempted CPR to no avail. An ambulance was called, and the offender was pronounced dead at approximately 9:20 p.m. An autopsy is being scheduled.

Offender Cousins age 24, was serving a 65-year sentence for murder from Tippecanoe County. His estimated released date was July 22, 2046. He was sentenced for the death of Drew Boldt, a student at Purdue University on January 21, 2014. He arrived at the Indiana State Prison on October 23, 2014 and was on a unit for new arrivals.

The incident is currently under investigation by the facility's Internal Affairs Office and the LaPorte County Coroner's Office. The offender's body was transported to Franciscan St. Anthony's Hospital in Michigan City, Indiana awaiting for an autopsy to be performed.

About the Indiana State Prison: This Indiana State Prison (ISP) was built in 1860, and is the oldest correctional facility in operation for the Department. ISP is located on 100 acres of land on Michigan City's west side. The physical plant consists of 51 buildings, which include 13 offender-housing units, steam plant, garage, warehouse, industries buildings, and five staff housing units. The main walled compound surrounds 24 acres of land. Located on the same grounds, outside the wall is the unit dedicated to house the medium-security offenders.



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